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In re Application of: James L. Uecker
Serial No. : 10/764,278
Filing Date : January 22, 2004
For : Method and Apparatus For Arc Welding
with Arc Control

Attorney Docket No. : ITW 14509

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the issuance of the first Office Action please
amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims
which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.